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This case study chronicles the lives of 20 inner-city adolescents and their experiences in and out of school. It explores the social construction of reality among these seventh and eighth graders and refutes the myth that these disadvantaged students suffer from cognitive deficits. The chapters are: (1) "Introduction"; (2) "The Course of Construction"; (3) "Primary Socialization and Construction of Reality"; (4) "Listen: Do You Hear What I Hear?"; (5) "'Showdown': Impact of Mass Media and Popular Culture"; and (6) "Reality Is Socially Constructed! The Causal Network." (Contains 3 tables, 11 figures, and 197 references.) (SLD)

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